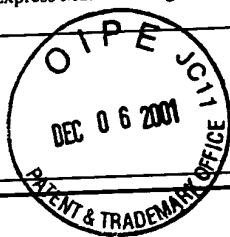


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This is a request for a ☒ continuation or ☐ divisional application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d), (continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application number 09/481,451, filed January 11, 2000, entitled ROLLER MANIFOLD FOR FORMING A CONTINUOUS SHEET OF VISCOUS MATERIAL.

NOTES

FILING QUALIFICATIONS: The prior application identified above must be a nonprovisional application that is either: (1) complete as defined by 37 C.F.R. § 1.51(b), or (2) the national stage of an international application in compliance with 35 U.S.C. § 371..

C-I-P NOT PERMITTED: A continuation-in-part application cannot be filed as a CPA under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d), but must be filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b).

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- ☐ Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on _____ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 in the prior nonprovisional application.
- ☒ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
- This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)(4).
 - ☐ **DELETE** the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:

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- ☐ A new power of attorney or authorization of agent is enclosed.
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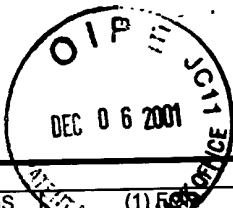
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TOTAL CLAIMS (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(c))	21 - 20 =	1	x \$ 18.00	\$18.00
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MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(d))			+ \$ 280.00	0
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- b. ☐ A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.
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